

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICANT: Schön et al

EXAMINER: CHANG CHING

SERIAL NO.: 10/551,539

ART UNIT: 3748

FILED: September 14, 2005

FOR: DEVICE FOR THE VARIABLE ACTUATION OF GAS EXCHANGE VALVES

OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES AND METHOD FOR OPERATING

THE DEVICE

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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It is requested that the term for response to the outstanding Official Action be extended for a period of TWO MONTHS to MAY 6, 2007.

Although the Office Action was reported timely to the applicant, the applicant has needed the additional time to study and consult on the rather complex issues arising from the Office Action, and to prepare a complete response thereto.

Accordingly, it is believed that this request is justified and the granting thereof is hereby solicited.

The required fee is enclosed. Please charge any deficiency in fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1444.

Respectfully submitted,

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